Commissioner Rudolph Believes Present Plan Is Better Than Proposals.

TWO OR THREE BID MOST

Make It a Business to Buy in Property Often Later Redeemed

non-payment of taxes in the District. in the opinion of Commissioner Rudolph, chairman of the board of Commissioners.

The opening of the annual tax sale at the District buliding Tuesday morning has revived discussion o the question of whether the existing Fleischmann Official States tax law should be changed.

Commissioner Rudolph, who supervises all tax matters, declared last night that he does not believe the present law under which property is sold at auction every March should be revised.

Several Make It a Business.

After such a deed has been issued against the property the original owner must come to terms with the holder of the deed paying the taxes due, the penalty of 12 per cent a year and whatever additional sum the holder of the deed demands for a settlement.

According to Collector of Taxes Chatham M. Towers, the holder of the tax deed in restoring clear, tille to

Property Changing Hands.

During the past four or five years, when property has been changing hands at a rapid rate in Washington, it has been almost impossible for the it has been almost impossible for the tax office to keep an up-to-date register. There are frequent cases in which one piece of property has changed hands four and five times in one year, leaving the collector in a quandary as to where to send the no-

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Cases in which one person owns many parcels of land also complicate the task of sending notices, for the collector has no way of telling to which piece of property the owner's notice should be sent.

MINSTREL SHOW MAR. 22. Y. M. H. A. to Hold Annual Affair

at Hotel Raleigh.

The annual minstrel show and dance of the Young Men's Hebrew Association will be held March 22 at the Raleigh Hotel. The show is under the directorship of Morris S. Shefferman. Dancing will follow the show and will continue to 1 a.m.

The end men are Alex Rosenblum, Myer Jolson, Paul Eanet and Al Denniberg. The cast includes T. Shefferman, S. Pittle, N. Cohen, G. and R. Woronow, J. Berlin, F. Mendellson, E. Kirstein, F. Gluckstein, M. Shenk, I. Wall, L. Rosenberg, J. Barr, H. Cohen, M. Gluck and S. Scher. Specialties will be given by Miss R. Herman, A. Wolf, J. Brown and H. J. Lewis.

PLUNGES DOWN SHAFT.

Husband of Lynchburg Woman Killed by Long Fall.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

LYNCHBURG, Va., March 11.—Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Kent of this city have been notified of the death of John F. Noble, their son-in-law, which occurred at Tules, Okla., Thursday. He taining fatal hurts. Mr. Noble, about four years ago, married Miss Kathleen Kent, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kent.

Door Knob Charged From Light System

Delays Liquor Raid
Special Dispatch to The Star.
LYNCHBURG, Vn., Mare's 11.
—Patrolman Charles Simpson,
who has been uncovering moonshine liquor here, suspected that
there was liquor in the domithere was liquor in the domi-cile of Edward Reid, colored, and after arming himself with a search warrant, proceeded to

a senrer warrant, proceeded to the dwelling.

When he took hold of the door knob he concluded that he was being electrocuted. The door was counserted with the city electric system through one of the light connections.

This caused the raid to be deferred ustil Simpson could summon help, and a little later a squad of policemen had no trouble getting inside the house. After a search they found forty gallons of corn liquor. Reid was arrested.

There is no necessity for a new law CHANGES EXPECT non-payment of taxes in the District AT LANGDON PLAN

Hope It Will Continue as Important Branch.

Just what changes may be made at the big yeast plant of the Fleischmann Company, Inc., of New York, At the annual tax sale private individuals come forward and pay the taxes due on delinquent property and receive from the collector a tax certificate. Although twenty or thirty persons may attend the sale, most of the bidding is done by two or three men who make a business of dealing in such property.

I located at Langdon, D. C., in order to the finding of Commissioner of Internal Revenue Blair in evoking the industrial alcohol permits of the Fleischmann agencies, have not been decided, it was said here yesterday by a representative of the company, but there was some men who make a business of dealing in such property.

These individuals are required by law to hold the certificates two years, during which time the original owners of the property in question have the privilege of redeeming by paying, through the collector's office, the taxes due, plus the penalty of 12 per cent a year which has accumulated.

Deed After Two Years.

If at the end of the two years such redemption has not been made, the holders of the tax sale certificates have the right to apply to the Commissioners for a tax deed.

After such a deed has been issued against the property the original owners are not been decided, it was said here yesterday by a representative of the company, but there was some hope, he added, that under the new hope, he added, that under the new concerning establishment, of new agencies the Langdon plant vould continue serving its important place in the operations of the company, with at least the usual volume of business.

There was a probability that shipments was ald, so that instead of making shipments in bulk to agencies they would go in barrels to actual purchasers direct.

Restrictions on Agents.

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The furthe amendment to the regulations, issued yesterday by Commissioner Blair, stipulates restrictions to be placed upon agents by manufacturers by which the "sale price must be controlled by the manufacturer and the agent's compensation must be definitely fixed by contract between the manufacturer and the agent."

Unless new agencies are established by the Fleischmann company soon the Langdon plant will be one of the two places in the entire country of Washington business men who

Chatham M. Towers, the holder of the tax deed, in restoring clear title to the original owner, never asks more than it would cost the original owner to take the case into court for adjudication. These tax deeds represent a cloud on the title of the property against which they are issued and sooner or later must be paid off.

See More Trouble.

The suggestion has been made to former Commissioners that instead of selling the property to outside individuals when taxes are not paid, the District should hold it and increase the present penalty of 12 per cent a year.

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For this year's sale there are 12,000 parcels of real estate to be put on the block, representing \$300,000. Although the collector's office makes every effort to communicate with the delinquents before the sale, it is difficult for the tax office to keep a correct list of property owners' addresses.

As a result there are many pieces of property listed for sale this week the owners of which have probably forgotten that they did not pay their 1921 taxes. If the collector has the address of a delinquent he sends him a notice before the sale. If his address is not known to the tax office.

Property Changing Hands.

During the order of the common win the common win the possession of "any agent" of the common possession of the company will be returned either to the Pesksill or Langdon plant within thirty days, or delivered to a "new agent of the company," under penalty of confiscation, a representative of the company said there had been no decision yet as to disposition of the alcohol in question. It was hoped, however, that it would not have to be shipped back to the plants, but might be turned over to agents who, under the freshly interpreted regulations of the Treasury, would be allowed to dispose of it.

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DIPHTHERIA MAY BE WIPED OUT. NEW SERUM TESTS INDICATE

By the Associated Press. NEW YORK, March 11 .- A means of wiping out diphtheria, said to have increased from 50 to 100 per cent throughout the country during the last decade, has been found through use of the Schick test in the public schools here, it was announced tonight by Dr. Abraham Zinghler, assistant professor of hygiene at New York University Medical College. Nork University Medical College. After eight years of experimentation 95 per cent of the school children given the test in New York were made immune to the the disease, Dr. Zinghler said. The length of time that a person was immune from diphtheris by the use of the old serum was about four weeks, he added, while those given the serum test eight years ago, were recently retested.

and found still immune. The test, originated in Austria and improved here, consists of a series of injections of diphtheria toxin and anti-toxin. Four days after the first injection a red spot can be noticed ever the place of the injection if a person is susceptible to the disease. If this spot appears, three injections are given at ten-day

intervals.

The test, Dr. Zinghler said, does not in any way supplant the work of diphtheria serum which is given in active cases of the disease. It is used entirely to determine whether a child is immune from the disease and also to create immunity.

The diphtheria situation in New York state has become so serious, Dr. Zinghler reported, that the state health department has planned a campaign to combat it, and soon will conduct demonstration of the Schick test at Auburn, Schenectary and Syracuse.

TWELVE NATIONALTIES REPRESENTED IN THIS AMERICANIZATION CLASS.



SENATOR CAPPER OF KANSAS, CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT SCHOOLS, PHOTOGRAPHED WITH CLASS OF PROSPECTIVE AMERICANS ON STEPS OF THE CAPITOL.

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FUGITIVE BROUGHT BACK.

New York, March 11.—Will Hays, former Postmaster General, is named a director, with seventeen others, from the District respin corporation intends "to foster the common interests of those engaged in the motion picture industry." No capital was mentioned in the papers. The articles of incorporation set formatory at Lorton, Va., was arrested in Baltimore and brought here as a fugritive from the District restricted in Baltimore and brought here as a fugritive from the District restricted in Baltimore and brought here are rested in Baltimore and brought here as a fugritive from the District restricted in Baltimore and brought here as a fugritive from the District restricted in Baltimore and brought here are rested in Baltimore and brought here in a wear of the formation picture industry. The papers of the section picture industry by reformal turned over to Warden Moyer.

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BIBLE REVIVAL CAMPAIGN. Program in Fifth Baptist Church

Opens Today. The Bible revival campaign will open at 11 o'clock today at the Fifth Baptist Church, E street, corner of 6½ street southwest. Mrs. Charles M. Alexander, international president of the Pocket Testament League, will

of the Pocket Testament and the speak.

At 2 p.m. there will be a mass meeting at the Mount Vernon Place M. E. Church South, 9th street and Massachusetts avenue northwest. Senator Selden P. Spencer of Missouri will preside, Mrs. Alexander will address the assembly, Percy Foster will lead the song service and the Billy Sunday Ushers' Association will provide ushers.

MADE CADET AT LARGE.

The President has appointed R. John West, jr., son of Maj. R. J. West, United States infantry, at Plattsburg barracks, N. Y., a cadet at large at the United States Military Academy.

Edwin H. Feather of Baltimore and Marion O. Warrenfelts of Hagerstewn, Md., have been appointed cadets at the academy. These appointments are subject to the entrance examinations now in progress. n progress.

By shaving their heads the Besque women of Spain think they render themselves beautiful.

HEAT OF 60,000 DEGREES TURNS METAL TO HELIUM

100,000 Volts, Discharged Suddenly Through Chicago Justice Charges Tungsten Wire, Puts Atomic Theory Among Bygones.

Hottest Spot in Universe.

Washington auditorium organization committee has formally adopted the shon he washington Auditorium Company" for the proposed corporation being of Washington business men who will erect a new convention hall here, and elected Robert N. Harper, president of the District National Bank and a leader in the movement, as president of the company.

In making this announcement last night, Charles J. Columbus, secretary of the committee, said the incorporation of the company, which is to take over the land for the auditorium at 19th and E streets and New York avenue, will be immediately taken in the model of the company to the company, which is to take over the land for the auditorium at 19th and E streets and New York avenue, will be immediately taken in the model of the company to the company, which is to take over the land for the auditorium at 19th and E streets and New York avenue, will be immediately taken in the model of the company to the company to the company, which is to take over the land for the auditorium at 19th and E streets and New York avenue, will be immediately taken in the model of the company to the accompany to the acc

that building. The city heads decided By the Associated Press. that the association could turn the RICHMOND, Va., March 11.—The money over to the District and have motion picture censorship bill this the work done by the city repair shop

WOMAN CHIEFS TO DINE.

Government Executives to Hold Third Meeting Thursday.

"To determine whether this was due to decomposition by the great heat. Wendt and Irion reproduced conditions such as are on the stare and succeeded in reaching a temperature twice as high as that of the hottest star and found that ordinary metals are decomposed into the simple gases, particularly helium.

"The method used was the same as that used in producing artificial lightning, recently announced by Dr. Steinmetz of Schenectady, and was originated by Dr. J. A. Anderson of the Mount Wilson solar observatory, at Pasadena, Cal.

102,000 Velts Discharged.

"It consists in charging a large electrical condenser to 190,000 volts"

The third dinner this winter of woman executives in government positions will be held Thursday evening at 6.30 o'clock in the Grace Dodge Hotel, under the direction of the woman executives of the child labor tax division of the Treasury Department. The first dinner of the year was under the auspices of the woman executives of the treasury Department. The first dinner of the year was under the suspices of the year was under the suspices of the year was under the second the Department of the Interior.

Speakers will be: Miss Adelia Stew-structure of the Juvenile Court, Miss Tillie Nelson, a sister of Representative Nelson, isster of Representative Nelson, isster of Representative Nelson, just returned from a five-year stay in India, and Miss Georgia Hopley, the first woman in the United States to be appointed a prohibition agent. The third dinner this winter of woman

Washington Continues to Lead In the Fight Against Consumption.

The Tuberculosis death rate among our Whites during 1921 was less than 60 per 100,000. The Tuberculosis death rate for both races here in 1921 was only 102 per 100,000.

As late as 1910 the death rate among our Colored was 453 and among our Whites it was 137.

These reductions constitute a United States record and are a living endorsement of the educational health propagands, by the teaching of specific—and not superficial—Hygiene, which this Association has followed for many years in our Public Schools and in

Dr. W. McN. Miller, Executive Secretary of the Missouri State berculosis Association, after an exhaustive investigation, wrote us recently as follows:

"My hat's off to the District of Columbia Tuberculosis Association and its Executive Officers. I find that you lead New York City as well as all the States in the rate of reduction of the Tuberculosis death rate in the past 20 years." And this was written before Dr. Miller could have known our death rates for 1921.

This Bulletin is Paid for by the Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis Tolophone Main 992 (Legal Notice) 928 H St. N.W.

CHARGES GUNMEN

Grand Jury to Probe Miscarriage of Justice.

By the Associated Press. CHICAGO, March 11.—Declaring that some Chicago labor unions are ruled and controlled by professional criminals, Chief Justice Scanlan of the criminal court today charged a den and D. McRitchie. It was Whid-special grand jury to investigate den's declaration that he had been what he termed "gross miscarriages

what he termed "gross miscarriages of justice" in recent trials of labor leaders here.

"Now we have reached a time in Chicago when we are to determine once and for all," he said, "whether this band of gunmen is going to rule this community and destroy law and order in our midst, or whether this city, calling itself the most wonder ful city in the world, is able to master these miscreants just as it mastered the anarchists."

Judge Scanlan declared that "a vast conspiracy" existed among the labor leaders to place themselves above the law.

"The reign of terror created by these labor criminals has so intimated Chicago citizens that a species of yellow men has sprung up," he said. "It remains to be seen whether they are able to conquer red-blooded Americans."

The special grand jury was impanied at the request of Robert E. Crowe, state's attorney, who, in a petition to the judge, declared that there had been wholesale bribery of the fails of William Quesse, head of the janitors' union; Simon O'Donnell, former building trades chief, and Thomas Walsh, all of whom were acquitted of graft charges.

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CHICO, Calif., March 11.—Chico has a rival of the ghost of Antiformer building trades chief, and Thomas Walsh, all of whom were acquitted of graft charges.

workmen.

Congress appropriated \$225,000 for repairs to school buildings, but this sum does not nearly meet the requests that are made annually for renovating the buildings, Daniel E. Garges, secretary to the Commissioners, pointed out yesterday.

of 26 to 13, after the bitterest fight on any measure before the Virginia registry to pears. Senate amendaments being readily acceptable to the bound ready to the buildings, Daniel E. signature of Gov. E. Lee Trinkle to become law.

Mount Pleasant Citizens Vote to Tell Congress of Urgent Need Here.

Urgent need of a sufficient water supply for the District of Columbia of 26 to 13, after the bitterest fight

become law.

By the provision of the bill, Virginia film exhibitors will be required to obtain a license for every picture offered to the public, effective ninety days atter the measure becomes law.

A board of three censors is created to pass on all films offered for exhibition and their jurisdiction extends over the posters and other matter advertising the pictures. Out of the examination fees the censors will receive a salary of \$1,400 a year, the senate, by an amendment, striking out the three thousand-dollar provision written in by an amendment, striking out the three thousand-dollar provision written in by an amendment, striking out the three thousand-dollar provision written in by an amendment, striking out the three thousand-dollar provision written in by an amendment, striking out the three thousand-dollar provision written in by an amendment, striking out the three thousand-dollar provision written in by an amendment of importance is one taking from the censors the power to pass on sacrilegious features of films. As amended, the board will pass on obscenity, vulgarity and features likely to incite crime.

ARMY MAN CLAIMS DOG.

Milliner Does, Too, So Judge Must

Decide Case in Court.

An Eskimo dog slept last night in a kennel at Dr. William P. Collins' veterinarian establishment, at 2120 P street, while two men awaited the dawn of tomorrow which would bring go case before the Police Court to de-

dawn of tomorrow which would bring case before the Police Court to deside who owns him.

The controversy regarding ownership started yesterday afternoon when Gen. Eli A. Helmick, of 2117 Bancroft place walked into the milli-nery shop of Keeley Morse at 1423 F street and noticed the dog in the

shop.
Immediately Gen. Helmick put in his claim of ownership. He said that the dog had been lost since last Nevember and that he was positive that he was the owner.

Mr. Morse took the opposite viewpoint. He said that he had brought
the dog from New York some time

the dog from New York some time ago.

The next move of the claimant was to police headquarters. Here the services of Detective Sergeant Bradley were enlisted in the dispute.

He went up to the shop. After several minutes of debate, he decided that it was not up to him to settle ownership, so he took the dog to the veterinarian establishment of Dr. Collins and left him there.

In Police Court tomorrow some judge is going to face the task of deciding who ewas the dog and who goesn't.

Gold Out of the Air le Aim of Scientists

At New York Assay Getting gold out of the air is

being attempted by the government at the New York assny office, according to a statement last night by Director of the Mint Baker. Tests of a new process are being carried on there, he declared, by which the air, smoke and dust which cacape from the molten gold carries off minute particles of the precious metal can be refined so that none of the gold is lost. Good progress is being made in the tests, he declared, and it is thought that a considerable saving to the government will result from the new process, while extension of the method to commercial plants should make possible the utilization of all gold employed in manufacturing. Mint Baker. Tests of a new

turing.

The tests being made in New York should be completed next week, Mr. Baker said, when it will be possible to demonstrate the actual amount of gold that can be extracted from the at-mosphere of the assaying plant.

New York Scientist Admits No Important Discovery Has Been Made.

y the Associated Press. HALIFAX, N. S., March 11 .- The elusive Caledonia Mills ghost was still numbered among the missing to-Donald's isolated home, admitted thus

Donald's isolated home, admitted thus far he had made no important discovery.

He played another card in his game with the unknown tonight. He had thought the presence in their home again last night of the MacDonald family, particularly the adopted daughter, Mary Ellen, might lure the ghost back, but this didn't work. So he sent them away today and summoned two newspapermen to spend tonight with him in the house of mystery.

These men were Harold B. Whidden and D. McRitchie. It was Whidden's declaration that he had been unmistakably slapped by an unseen hand in the MacDonald house that

hand in the MacDonald house that

POSTED IN VIRGINA

The schoolboy explanation is that some outfit in the spook league has opened spring training here. Yesterday the superintendent of the warehouse sent a workman up to sweep the rocks off the roof. The warehouse sent a workman up to sweep the rocks off the roof. The warehouse sent a workman up to sweep the rocks off the roof. The warehouse sent a workman up to sweep the rocks off the roof. The warehouse sent a workman up to sweep the rocks off the roof. The warehouse sent a workman up to sweep the rocks off the roof. The warehouse sent and rocks routed him. He said he had no idea from where the missiles came.

Wiss Jean Wilson Offers Evening of Mirth and Melody.

Miss Jean Wilson, a well known dramatist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evening of entertainment at the Playhouse, 1814 Normalist, presented an evenin

IS URGED BY ASSOCIATION

Urgent need of a sufficient water supply for the District of Columbia was emphasized at the meeting of

Utilities Commission to instruct the car companies to issue them at that rate was referred to the public utilities committee of the association. William Edgar Rogers, president, presided. Following adjournment, refreshments were served.

Solomon's Temple, for the building of which the whole manhood of Israel was commandeered, would have cost \$5,000,000,000 to construct at present prices.

LLOYD GEORGE SEEN THRIVING ON CRISES

Barnes Expects British Premier to Continue at the Helm.

COALITION WILL GO ON

Each Party Lacks Strength to Control, Though Liberals Are Gaining.

BY GEORGE N. BARNES, British Parliament Leader. By Radio to The Star.

LONDON, March 11 .- One political crisis after another crowds upon Lloyd George, but still he stands and the coalition stands with him.

The coalition idea of government

must continue for some time to come, despite the fact that the British do not like political combinations. They delight instead in robustious party warfare. Born of the war, the coalition will gradually grow weaker as war memories recede until at last it will disappear. It must continue now for

the simple reason that no single party will be numerically strong enough to win a majority in any election of the near future. Another coalition will emerge from the next election, whenever it may come. But unless I am very much mistaken the conservatives and the "die hards," who have applauded so loudly the downfall of Mr. Montagu

night. Dr. Walter Franklin Prince, the New York scientist, who is trying to solve the mystery of the strange noises, unexplained fires and other manifestations in Alex Mac
lored's isolated home admitted thus. Thrives on Crises.

give the lead in that direction at the meeting arranged for him upon his return from Cannes. But by that time the Irish and labor excesses had apparently excited apprehension in the country. On the strength of this Sir George Younger, director of the conservative party machine, had conserved the idea of a united conservative party dispension with Lloyd

tive party, dispensing with Lloyd George altogether and assuming the reins of government. Left in the Lurch. Whereupon as a temporary measure of compromise both the liberal and conservative coalitionists each agreed conservative coalitionists each agreed to run separately its own candidates at the election, provided only that each side should keep out of the other's preserves. It was a sort of wedding contract for separate beds. And as might have been expected, it turned out a dismal failure. For in the series of elections of the last few weeks the coalition candidates have been smitten hip and thigh by the liberals and left in the lurch by the "die hards."

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The manipulators of the conservahas a rival of the ghost of Antigonish, only the local wraith operates in the daytime and throws rocks
instead of slapping wrists and starting fires. Its target is a warehouse,
and, according to a statement by the

form of character sketches and monologues. This was the second performance of its kind staged in Washington the past week, the other having been given by Mrs. Francis Rogers last Sunday at the New Willard Hotel for the benefit of the Women's Overseas Service League. The title of the entertainment was "Mirth and Melody," which included piano solos by Dorothy Dennett, who played "Soaring." "Liebestraum" and a Chopin "Polonaise." The program given by Miss Wilson included "The Senator's Dilemma," "A Washington Senator's Dilemma," "A Washington Afternoon Tea," "The Story the Violin Told the Governor," and "The

Italian Countess. Secretary of Labor and Mrs. James J. Davis, Undersecretary of State and Mrs. Henry P. Fletcher and Post-master General and Mrs. Hubert Work were among the patrons.

WILL MAIL TRANSFERS.

Post Office to Take Over Work at Two Points in Virginia. Special Dispatch to The Star.

LYNCHBURG, Va., March 11.—The railway mail service at Washington has authorized the chief clerk's office nas authorized the chief clerk's office of this district to establish a mail transfer at Kenova, W. Va., where mail up to this time has been handled by railway employes. Two men are detailed to go to the new transfer next Wednesday. The office here recently secured authority for similar service at Bluestone junction

TAKES OVER REPAIR SHOPS.

SEEKING SOLDIER'S NEXT OF KIN, BUREAU RECEIVES 5-FOOT LIST

In investigating the record of Bennie F. Taylor of Crystal Springs, Miss., a soldier who died at Camp Beauregard in 1918, the United States Veterans' Bureau believes it has come across something unique in the way of family relationship. Among other facts divulged was that Taylor, exclusive of cousins, was closely related to 4 per cent of the total population of his home town of 1,395 residents.

Taylor named as the beneficiary of his government term insurance pelley his father, who in turn died, leaving the insurance to next of kin. The Veterans' Bureau requested from the family the names of those relatives falling in the "permitted class," and in reply received a list five feet long, containing the names and addresses of nine brothers, six sisters, six uncles, six aunts, twenty-three nephews, nineteen nieces, six brothers-in-law, eight sisters-inlaw and a stepmother, eighty-four of whom bear the name of Taylor; the same Christian names, however, were seldom found twice. Under the new adjustment for the payment of Taylor's \$5,000 policy the stepmother and fifteen brothers and sisters will each receive monthly installments of \$1.92.